

Reduction of
printing.

tion has been compelled to reduce public printing to the absolute minimum during the past biennial period, and even with the greatest economy the appropriation for the biennial period ending June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, is insufficient, according to careful estimate, by five thousand seven hundred and forty-four dollars, and the necessary laws and reports required by law cannot be supplied without an appropriation sufficient for these purposes: Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Appropriation
for printing.

SECTION 1. The Department of Superintendent of Public Instruction is hereby allowed to expend from the general fund for the necessary printing of its department a sum not to exceed thirty-five thousand dollars for each biennial period, the first biennial period beginning on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and ending June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

Amount.
Period.

Appropriation
for current
biennial period.

SEC. 2. The sum of five thousand seven hundred and forty-four dollars is hereby appropriated out of the general fund and the State Treasurer is directed to apply the same to the printing account for the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two and twenty-three for the purpose of paying the indebtedness incurred and providing for other necessary printing for the remainder of the biennial period ending June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, in order to carry out the instructions of the General Assembly which require the laws, reports, and blanks to be published and distributed free to school officials.

Repealing clause.

SEC. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1923.

CHAPTER 140

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 4209 OF THE CONSOLIDATED STATUTES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section four thousand two hundred and nine of the Consolidated Statutes be and the same is hereby amended so as hereafter to read as follows:

Carnal knowledge
or abuse of
female.

Felony, punish-
ment.

"If any male person shall carnally know or abuse any female child, over twelve and under sixteen years of age, who has never before had sexual intercourse with any person, he shall be guilty of a felony and shall be fined or imprisoned in the discretion of